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In re application of: **ROBERT D. KLUSER and WARREN L. POWERS**

Art Unit: **3637**

Serial No.: **09/841,402**

Examiner: **Gerald A. Anderson**

Filed: **April 23, 2001**

For: **MODULAR RACK MOUNTING SYSTEM**

November 21, 2002

To Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 10, 2002 please reconsider the above-identified application as follows.

REMARKS

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The Examiner rejected claims 1-4 and 6 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Eriksson et al in view of Jeffries et al and Saunders et al, and indicated that claim 5 was allowable if rewritten to include all the limitations of the base and intervening claims. The Examiner specifically stated with respect to his rejection that Eriksson et al show a modular rack-mounting system having a frame and sleeve; that Eriksson et al fail to show a spring mounted button in a hole or a frame having two parts which mesh to form a whole frame; the Jeffries et al show a modular carrier for an electrical device having spring mounted buttons in holes in the carrier providing a means of securing the device to the carrier; that Saunders et al show parts which mesh to provide a frame for electrical devices; and that, since the